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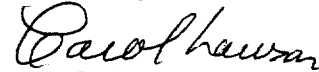
Re: Docket Numbers 98-N-1230, 96P-0418, and 97P-0197

Ladies/Gentlemen:

I wish to urge FDA action on the problem of egg borne diseases, which, abundant evidence shows is due in major part to current widespread practices in the poultry industry. The worst of the practices are the highly stressful forced molting and overcrowding of hens in battery cages. The inhumanity to the hens goes without saying. Why must the U.S. always lag European countries in requiring more humane husbandry practices which simultaneously promote safer food products? Please address and take strong and immediate action to promote healthier egg production - the consumer and the chickens will both benefit: a double win - not to mention applause for the FDA and the USDA.

Thank you for your attention to this appeal.

Sincerely,



Carol A. Lawson

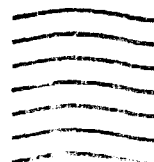
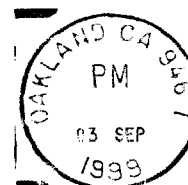
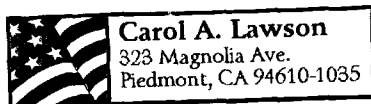
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